

Listing of Claims:

40. (previously presented) A purified polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5.

42-44. (cancelled)

47. (currently amended) The polypeptide of claim 45 which comprises at least fifteen contiguous amino acids of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5.

54. (currently amended) An immunogenic composition comprising an immunologically effective amount of a recombinant polypeptide, which recombinant polypeptide: (i) comprises at least ten contiguous amino acids of the amino acid sequence of

SEQ ID NO:5, wherein said polypeptide includes at least one of the amino acid sequences selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:9, SEQ ID NO:10, and six contiguous asparagine residues, ~~and (ii) is immunologically identifiable by an antibody which reacts specifically with *Helicobacter pylori* CAI antigen.~~

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55. (cancelled)

56. (currently amended) The immunogenic composition of claim 54 wherein said polypeptide comprises at least fifteen contiguous amino acids of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5.

57. (currently amended) The immunogenic composition of claim 54 further comprising an immunologically effective amount of a second polypeptide, which second polypeptide: ~~(i) comprises at least ten contiguous amino acids of *Helicobacter pylori* heat shock protein~~ having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6, ~~and (ii) is immunologically identifiable by an antibody which reacts specifically with *Helicobacter pylori* heat shock protein.~~

58. (cancelled)

59. (currently amended) The immunogenic composition of claim 57 wherein said second polypeptide comprises at least fifteen contiguous amino acids of the *Helicobacter pylori* heat shock protein having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6.

60-61. (cancelled)

62. (currently amended) A method of preparing an immunogenic composition comprising bringing into association:

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(1) an immunologically effective amount of a purified polypeptide, which polypeptide: (i) comprises at least ten contiguous amino acids of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5, wherein said polypeptide includes at least one of the amino acid sequences selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:9, SEQ ID NO:10, and six contiguous asparagine residues, ~~and (ii) is immunologically identifiable by an antibody which reacts specifically with *Helicobacter pylori* CAI antigen~~, and

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(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

63. (currently amended) The method of claim 62 ~~or 78~~ further comprising adding an immunologically effective amount of a second polypeptide, which second polypeptide: (i) comprises at least ten contiguous amino acids of *Helicobacter pylori* heat shock protein having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:6, ~~and (ii) is immunologically identifiable by an antibody which reacts specifically with *Helicobacter pylori* heat shock protein~~.

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64-67. (cancelled)

68. (previously presented) The purified polypeptide of claim 45, wherein said polypeptide is recombinantly produced.

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69. (cancelled)

70. (currently amended) The immunogenic composition of claim 54, further comprising an immunologically effective amount of a second polypeptide, wherein said

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second polypeptide: ~~(i)~~ comprises at least ten contiguous amino acids of *Helicobacter pylori* cytotoxin (CT) protein having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:3, and ~~(ii)~~ is immunologically identifiable by an antibody which reacts specifically with *Helicobacter pylori* cytotoxin.

71-75. (cancelled)

76. (currently amended) The polypeptide of claim ~~75~~ 47 which comprises at least fifteen contiguous amino acids of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5.

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77. (cancelled)

78. (currently amended) A method of preparing an immunogenic composition comprising bringing into association:

(1) an immunologically effective amount of a recombinant polypeptide, which recombinant polypeptide: ~~(i)~~ comprises at least ten contiguous amino acids of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5, wherein said polypeptide includes at least one of the amino acid sequences selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:9, SEQ ID NO:10, and six contiguous asparagine residues, and ~~(ii)~~ is immunologically identifiable by an antibody which reacts specifically with *Helicobacter pylori* CAI antigen, and

(2) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

79. (cancelled)

80. (currently amended) The immunogenic composition of claim 70 wherein said second polypeptide comprises at least fifteen contiguous amino acids of the *Helicobacter pylori* CT protein having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:3.

81. (currently amended) An isolated immunogenic polypeptide comprising at least five contiguous amino acids from the *Helicobacter pylori* cytotoxin associated immunodominant (CAI) antigen having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5, wherein said polypeptide includes at least one of the amino acid sequences selected from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:9, SEQ ID NO:10, and six contiguous asparagine residues, wherein said polypeptide is immunologically identifiable by an antibody which reacts specifically with *Helicobacter pylori* CAI antigen.

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82-87. (cancelled)

88. (currently amended) The polypeptide of claim 84 81, wherein said polypeptide is a recombinant polypeptide.

89-92. (cancelled)

93. (currently amended) The polypeptide of claim 81, said polypeptide comprising at least five contiguous amino acids from amino acids ~~707-937~~ 748-977 of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5.

94-122. (cancelled)

123. (currently amended) An isolated immunogenic polypeptide encoded by at least fifteen contiguous nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

124. (currently amended) An isolated immunogenic polypeptide encoded by at least thirty contiguous nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

125. (currently amended) An isolated immunogenic polypeptide encoded by at least forty-five contiguous nucleotides of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

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126. (currently amended) The polypeptide of claim 123, 124, or 125, said polypeptide comprising *Helicobacter pylori* cytotoxin associated immunodominant (CAI) antigen having the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:5, an immunogenic fragment of *Helicobacter pylori* CAI antigen, or an immunogenic derivative of *Helicobacter pylori* CAI antigen.

127. (previously presented) The polypeptide of claim 123, said polypeptide encoded by the polynucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

128. (previously presented) The polypeptide of claim 126, wherein said polypeptide is a recombinant polypeptide.

129. (cancelled)

130. (currently amended) The polypeptide of claim 123, said polypeptide encoded by at least fifteen contiguous nucleotides of nucleotide positions ~~2772-3466~~ 2776-3466 of the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.

131-139. (cancelled)

140. (new) The method of claim 78 further comprising adding an immunologically effective amount of a second polypeptide, which second polypeptide comprises at least ten

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contiguous amino acids of *Helicobacter pylori* heat shock protein having the amino acid
sequence of SEQ ID NO:6.

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